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\$1 A YEAR

DUNCAN IS DISMISSED

Board of Safety Declines to Accept Resignation

A Big Sensation Promised at Louisville—Railroad Cases Compromised.

DEATHS IN OLD KENTUCKY

Louisville, Ky., Sept. 24.—The board of public safety today declined to accept the resignation of Dr. Ellis Duncan, superintendent of the city hospital, and dismissed him summarily. Dr. George B. Jenkins was placed in charge temporarily.

Miss Alice Gagg, superintendent of the hospital training school, has been removed without a hearing and without charges having been made against her. The biggest kind of a sensation is promised as a fight has been on some time between the board of safety and the management of the hospital.

CASES COMPROMISED.

Frankfort, Sept. 24.—The suits of the state to recover reorganization tax were compromised by the Southern railway, the Mobile and Ohio, the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis and Tennessee Central. They pay the tax and five per cent of the judgment in addition, as a penalty.

DEATHS IN THE STATE.

Louisville, Ky., Sept. 24.—Mr. Gilbar Cassidy, one of the leading criminal lawyer's of Northeastern Kentucky, died suddenly of apoplexy at his home near Flemingsburg.

While en route from Plattsburg, Mo., to visit her daughter at Elizabethtown, Ky., Mrs. Jemima Thomas died suddenly in the passenger depot at Guthrie, Ky.

HE WILL LIKELY DIE

Johnnie Poe Shot With Flobert Rifle.

He Was Taking the Weapon From a Rack When It Was Discharged.

STRUCK IN THE HEAD

Johnnie Poe, age 13 years, adopted son of Farmer John Woods who lives about a mile and a half from Palestine church on the Metropolis gravel road, shot himself through the head last night accidentally and will probably die.

The little fellow was taking a flobert rifle from a rack when it was accidentally discharged, the ball piercing the temple and lodging in the head. Dr. Holland, of Grahamville, was summoned and worked with the boy the greater part of the night but thinks the wound will prove fatal.

The unfortunate youth lived here for a time and has a blind sister in the Home of the Friendless. His parents are both dead and the sister is the only living near relative.

DICK POORE BETTER. — The condition of Richard Poore today is much better. He passed a good night last night and was much improved today. The knife wounds will be redressed this afternoon.

THE MARKETS.

WHEAT	HIGH	LOW	CLOSE
Sept.	76	74 1/2	74 1/2
Dec.	77 1/2	76 1/2	76 1/2
CORN			
Sept.	47 1/2	47 1/2	47 1/2
Dec.	47 1/2	47 1/2	47 1/2
OATS			
Sept.	37	36 1/2	36 1/2
Dec.	38	37 1/2	37 1/2
COTTON			
Sept.	11 23	11 08	11 10
Oct.	9 53	9 43	9 44
Nov.	9 46	9 37	9 38
Dec.	9 54	9 39	9 41
Jan.	9 54	9 40	9 44
STOCKS			
I. C.	128 1/2	127 1/2	127 1/2
L. & N.	100 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2
M. & P.	88 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2
U. S.	17 1/2	17	17
W. & P.	67 1/2	65	65

THE TICKET NAMED

Republican Mass Convention Held This Afternoon.

Mr. Jeff J. Read Is Nominated for Mayor of the City of Paducah.

A LARGE CROWD PRESENT

The Republican mass convention at the city hall this afternoon to nominate candidates for municipal office was one of the largest ever held in Paducah.

L. L. Bebout was made chairman and C. W. Merriweather secretary.

A committee on rules and order reported in favor of making nominations for various offices from mayor to assessor first, and leave the boards nominees to be made later by committee, subject to the action of the convention.

Messrs. Oscar Stark, Jeff J. Read and Sam Houston were nominated for mayor. Mr. Stark withdrew, and upon a vote being taken, Mr. Read was chosen as the nominee for mayor and the nomination was made unanimous.

No other nomination had been made at press time.

A telegram from London, Ky., states that D. C. Edwards has decided to be come a candidate for Congress in the Eleventh district for the unexpired term of the late Vincent Boreing. He is a member of the Republican state Campaign Committee. W. R. Black, of Knox county, and H. C. Cole, Mayor of Barbourville, are also mentioned for the place. Judge H. C. Faulkner, another prominent Knox county man, is under pressure to become a candidate.

The Democratic city committee, of Paducah, meets this evening at Chairman Caldwell's office to take up the contest of Mr. J. Henry Smith against Mr. M. W. Johnson for the Democratic nomination for city treasurer. It is understood the committee can decline to grant a contest if it deems the allegations insufficient or unreasonable, and there is talk of overruling the motion for a contest.

Mr. N. M. Uri, present member of the Board of Aldermen, at Louisville, and formerly of Paducah, has declined to offer for re-election, though strongly urged to become a candidate for Park Commissioner.

The Republicans of Louisville have arranged for a rally to take place on the night of October 5 at the Auditorium.

THE FATHER WON.

WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS DECIDED THIS MORNING.

A writ of habeas corpus for the custody of Clair Browning, aged 6 years, was decided in favor of the father, Sol Browning, by Circuit Judge L. D. Hasbunds this morning. It seems that the father and mother, Ida Browning, separated some time ago, and the child was being cared for by its grandmother, at Greenville, Ky.

It came down to Paducah on a visit to its father, and the mother who also lives here sent and asked that it be allowed to visit her, and the child was sent. She then wanted to keep it and the writ of habeas corpus was to decide which was to have legal custody of it, the father being victorious. Bagby & Martin represented the father and Moss & Moss the mother.

HEDGES HOME.

MADE A GOOD SHOWING FOR THE FIRST YEAR.

Alonzo Hedges, the Paducah twirler, has returned home from Milwaukee where he pitched the latter part of the season in the American Association. He won seven out of twelve games and had an enviable record for an amateur who is a "first year out" man. He has been reserved, he says, for next season. Both Milwaukee and St. Louis want him but Milwaukee has the pinch and will retain him.

THE AMERICAN CITIZEN MUST BE PROTECTED—ABROAD.



—Chicago Daily News.

LOCAL MARRIAGES. IT IS A SURE GO

Mr. Clarence Wright and Miss Katie Hedges to Wed.

Well Known Young People Married in Paducah Last Evening.

The marriage of Miss Katie Hedges of this city and Mr. Clarence Wright, formerly of this city and now of Louisville, is announced to take place October 14.

Miss Hedges is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hedges of South Sixth street and is an attractive young lady. Mr. Wright is a messenger for the American Express company, running between Louisville and Fulton. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Wright of North Fourth street, and is popular in Paducah, which is his native home. The couple will reside in Louisville.

Mr. Charles W. Mitchell, mate on the steamer Woolfolk which is now doing transfer work for the I. C. railroad, and Miss Augusta Littlejohn, were at 7:30 last night married at the First Christian church, Rev. W. H. Pinkerton officiating. Both are popular residents of the city and they have many friends to extend congratulations. The ceremony was attended by several friends of the couple.

Miss Ethel Maxwell, a stenographer in the office of Oliver & Oliver of this city, and Mr. John F. Loftus, a popular young machinist of Henderson, were married this afternoon.

The bride is an attractive young lady with many friends, who wish her much happiness.

A FOOT MASHED.—J. E. Smith, a blacksmith employed in the local I. C. shops, accidentally let a hot piece of iron fall on a foot this morning and mashed the member badly. The injury was dressed at the hospital.

Paducah Amateurs to Challenge the World.

The Match Will Be at Live Birds on October 19.

Members of the Paducah Gun club today announce that the arrangements have been completed for a match shoot October 19, in Paducah at the club grounds at Wallace park, between two members of the Paducah club to be selected later on, and any two other amateurs in the world. The challenge has been issued through the sporting papers, and it is expected that in a few days answers will begin to come in.

The match will be at 100 live birds for a purse of \$100 a man, or \$400 in all, and will doubtless prove of unusual interest. The members of the local club who are to shoot against all comers have not been selected, but the Messrs. Starr are the most favorably mentioned.

ALL A FAKE

NO BODIES TOUCHED IN COUNTY GRAVEYARD.

Undertaker M. Nance today made a trip to the county graveyard south of the city, to investigate the report that bodies of paupers were buried in such shallow graves that the hogs were rooting them up. He found that there was absolutely nothing in the report. Not a grave was touched, and he took along an iron rod and sounded them, finding that the coffins were all properly buried. A resident of the neighborhood when asked stated that nothing was known of it there, except that one night some one buried a cigar box near the road, and the dogs scratched it up and made way with the contents, whatever it contained.

FOUND A SHORTAGE WROTE LAST CHECK

Trusted Employee of the Express Company Suicides.

An Alabama Postmaster Gets Into Trouble—A Fire at Dyersburg.

OTHER TENNESSEE NEWS ITEMS

EXPRESS COMPANY EMPLOYEE SUICIDES

Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 24.—William S. Mills, money order clerk in the local office of the Southern Express company, was found dead last night in a room in the Waggoner hotel with an empty morphine bottle by his side. Mills appeared at his desk Tuesday morning as usual and a little later a traveling auditor of the company came in unexpectedly to check up the books. Mills almost immediately complained of indisposition and left the office, since which time he had been missing. Investigation of his books has revealed a shortage of something less than \$200. He had been a trusted employee of the Southern Express company here for more than twenty years.

A GREENHORN POSTMASTER.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Sept. 24.—Andrew S. Wallace was until a few weeks ago postmaster at Opp, Ala. While serving as Uncle Sams' agent in that capacity Mr. Wallace read in the papers of the bribery that was going on in the postoffice department at Washington, and he forthwith proceeded to write to Postmaster General Payne and offered him the sum of \$50 if Mr. Payne would have him appointed postmaster at Andalusia, Ala. This was a better office than the one held by Mr. Wallace. He has been removed from the office at Opp and placed under a bond of \$500 for his appearance at the next term of the United States court at Birmingham.

STATE SENATOR FINED.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Sept. 24.—In criminal court State Senator J. Walter Peak was found guilty of assault and battery and fined \$200. Senator Peak was indicted for felonious assault on the person of William Dowling last April. Mr. Dowling was sitting in a drug store when Mr. Peak came up behind him and hit him several times about the head and shoulders with a heavy stick, causing injuries which kept him in bed for some weeks. The cause of the affair was a published card, signed by Mr. Dowling, in which he compared him to Judas Iscariot for his action in defeating a bill authorizing this city to issue bonds in the sum of \$700,000 for the purpose of building a waterworks plant.

FIRE AT DYERSBURG.

Dyersburg, Tenn., Sept. 24.—The residence of Mrs. Montie Foster near the college in this city, was destroyed by fire. The contents of the house also were consumed with the building. Miss Maizy Foster came near being hemmed in by the flames in her room upstairs, where she was sleeping, and escaped with difficulty. The property destroyed was worth \$3,000 and carried insurance of \$2,000.

REFUSES TO EAT.

Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 24.—Miss Lula Cunningham, slayer of Mrs. John E. Wilson, now positively refuses to eat her food, and for 24 hours not a morsel has passed her lips. The jail officials have tried in every way to induce her to eat, all to no effect. The grand jury indicted Miss Cunningham today for murder in the first degree.

K. I. T. CLUB WINS.

Clarksville, Tenn., Sept. 24.—Clarksville turned the tables on Louisville yesterday. Deaver pitched effective ball, while Akers was knocked out of the box. Score: r h e Clarksville, 9 11 5 Louisville, 5 10 5 Batteries—Deaver and Holmes; Akers, Odwell and White.

SUIT ON ACCOUNT.

A suit was filed in circuit court today by Gaar, Scot & company against C. N. and Evelyn Harrison to secure an alleged balance of \$998.75 on notes.

And Then a Prominent Young Man Suicided.

A Destructive Blaze Is Reported From Beaumont, Texas.

A KILLING IN ARKANSAS

BLACKMAILED TO DEATH.

New York, Sept. 24.—"I send you herewith \$300. This is positively the last money I will send you. I will not let you blackmail me any longer."

This, together with the torn fragments of a check, is said to be the text of a letter which has been pieced together from bits discovered in the apartments where John D. Kilpatrick, wealthy son of the late David Kilpatrick, of Beatrice, Neb., was found Monday shot through the heart. The case had begun to look like one of murder but it is now thought that the first theory—suicide—is correct, and that Kilpatrick killed himself to escape his tormentor.

J. E. Lambrie, stepfather of the dead man, declared that sensational developments may grow out of the affair. He is quoted as saying: "We know the woman to whom the letter was addressed. She is a young married woman, the mere mention of whose name would cause a sensation in New York city, as she is known as a member of one of the most prominent social sets in the city. We know enough now to convince us that my stepson committed suicide."

"I have learned since that he wrote another letter and another check, and sent them to the woman. I do not know the contents of the other letter."

OIL FIELDS BLAZE.

Beaumont, Tex., Sept. 24.—A fire broke out in the Shoestring district of the Sour Lake oil field, and raged for three hours before it was brought under control. For a time the entire field was threatened, the burning pipes and tanks, with the dense volumes of smoke, making the scene one of wild excitement.

Twenty derricks were destroyed, together with pumping and drilling machinery. No reliable estimates at this time can be placed on the loss, but it will aggregate many thousands of dollars.

Following is a list of the heaviest losses:

The Jackson-Tobin Oil company, Bettie Bryan, Sinclair, Quay, Beck, R. L. Cox, W. B. Sharpe, W. S. Brick, Davy Crockett Oil company and the Texas company.

TRAGEDY IN ARKANSAS.

Little Rock, Ark., Sept. 24.—Thomas Linton, aged 55 years, shot and killed his wife near Hector, Pope county, with a double-barrel shotgun. The couple had been married 35 years and had seven children. Linton was drinking and came into the house where his wife was lying on the bed, and after sitting on the side of the bed and talking to her for a short time, went into another room and got a shotgun. When his wife asked him what he was going to do with the gun and told him to put it up, he told her he had the gun to kill her and that he was then going to take her life, and then shot her twice. Jealousy was the cause of the tragedy.

COOLER WEATH. R.

QUITE A CHANGE IN THE TEMPERATURE IN THIS SECTION.

There has been quite a change in the temperature since yesterday. The drop began last evening, and while there was little difference in the minimum last night and the previous night, there has been 17 degrees difference today. Yesterday the highest was 89, and today it was 73, seventeen degrees cooler.

The indications are for cooler weather tonight and tomorrow, with a light frost tonight.

Attorney D. H. Hughes went to Princeton this morning on business.